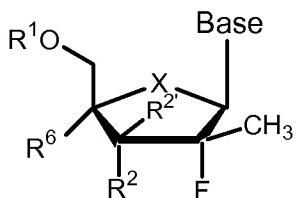


Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): A (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D or β -L) of the formula:



wherein

Base is a pyrimidine base;

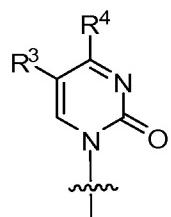
X is O, S, CH₂, Se, NH, N-alkyl, CHW (*R*, *S*, or racemic), C(W)₂, wherein W is F, Cl, Br, or I;

*R*¹ and *R*⁷ are independently H, phosphate, including monophosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate, or a stabilized phosphate prodrug, H-phosphonate, including stabilized H-phosphonates, acyl, including optionally substituted phenyl and lower acyl, alkyl, including lower alkyl, O-substituted carboxyalkylamino or its peptide derivatives, sulfonate ester, including alkyl or arylalkyl sulfonyl, including methanesulfonyl and benzyl, wherein the phenyl group is optionally substituted, a lipid, including a phospholipid, an L or D-amino acid (or racemic mixture), a carbohydrate, a peptide, a cholesterol, or other pharmaceutically acceptable leaving group which when administered *in vivo* is capable of providing a compound wherein *R*¹ is H or phosphate; *R*² is H or phosphate; *R*¹ and *R*² or *R*⁷ can also be linked with cyclic phosphate group;

*R*² and *R*^{2'} are independently H, C₁₋₄ alkyl, C₁₋₄ alkenyl, C₁₋₄ alkynyl, vinyl, N₃, CN, Cl, Br, F, I, NO₂, C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ acyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl),

S(C₁₋₄ acyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ acyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH₂, NH(C₁₋₄ alkyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), NH(C₁₋₄ acyl), N(C₁₋₄ alkyl)₂, N(C₁₋₁₈ acyl)₂, wherein alkyl, alkynyl, alkenyl and vinyl are optionally substituted by N₃, CN, one to three halogen (Cl, Br, F, I), NO₂, C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O(C₁₋₄ acyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), S(C₁₋₄ acyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ acyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH₂, NH(C₁₋₄ alkyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), NH(C₁₋₄ acyl), N(C₁₋₄ alkyl)₂, N(C₁₋₄ acyl)₂, OR⁷; R² and R^{2'} can be linked together to form a vinyl optionally substituted by one or two of N₃, CN, Cl, Br, F, I, NO₂; and R⁶ is an optionally substituted alkyl (including lower alkyl), cyano (CN), CH₃, OCH₃, OCH₂CH₃, hydroxy methyl (CH₂OH), fluoromethyl (CH₂F), azido (N₃), CHCN, CH₂N₃, CH₂NH₂, CH₂NHCH₃, CH₂N(CH₃)₂, alkyne (optionally substituted), or fluoro; or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D or β -L) of claim 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof, wherein the Base is represented by the following formula



wherein

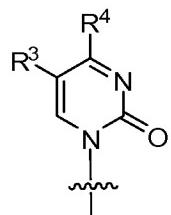
R³ and R⁴ are independently H, halogen including F, Cl, Br, I, OH, OR', SH, SR', NH₂, NHR', NR'₂, lower alkyl of C₁-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower

alkyl of C₁-C₆, lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, lower alkynyl of C₂-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkynyl of C₂-C₆, lower alkoxy of C₁-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkoxy of C₁-C₆, ~~lower hydroxyalkyl~~, CO₂H, CO₂R', CONH₂, CONHR', CONR', CH=CHCO₂H, CH=CHCO₂R'; and,

R' is an optionally substituted alkyl of C₁-C₁₂, cycloalkyl, optionally substituted alkynyl of C₂-C₆, optionally substituted lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, or optionally substituted acyl, ~~or, in the case of NHR' and COR', R' can be an amino acid residue.~~

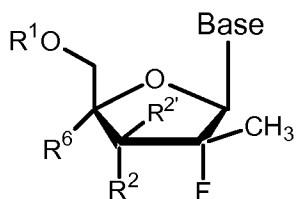
Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D) of claim 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof,

wherein the Base is represented by the following formula



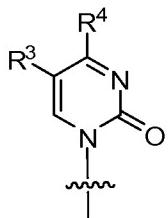
and wherein R¹ is H, R² is OH, R^{2'} is H, R³ is H, and R⁴ is NH₂ or OH.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D or β -L) of the formula:



wherein

the Base is represented by the following formula



R¹ and R⁷ are independently H, phosphate, including monophosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate, or a stabilized phosphate prodrug, H-phosphonate, including stabilized H-phosphonates, acyl, including optionally substituted phenyl and lower acyl, alkyl, including lower alkyl, O-substituted carboxyalkylamino or its peptide derivatives, sulfonate ester, including alkyl or arylalkyl sulfonyl, including methanesulfonyl and benzyl, wherein the phenyl group is optionally substituted, a lipid, including a phospholipid, an L or D-amino acid (or racemic mixture), a carbohydrate, a peptide, a cholesterol, or other pharmaceutically acceptable leaving group which when administered *in vivo* is capable of providing a compound wherein R¹ is H or phosphate; R² is H or phosphate; R¹ and R² or R⁷ can also be linked with cyclic phosphate group;

R² and R^{2'} are independently H, C₁₋₄ alkyl, C₁₋₄ alkenyl, C₁₋₄ alkynyl, vinyl, N₃, CN, Cl, Br, F, I, NO₂, C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O(C₁₋₄ acyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), S(C₁₋₄ acyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ acyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH₂, NH(C₁₋₄ alkyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), NH(C₁₋₄ acyl), N(C₁₋₄ alkyl)₂, N(C₁₋₁₈ acyl)₂, wherein alkyl, alkynyl, alkenyl and vinyl are optionally substituted by N₃, CN, one to three halogen (Cl, Br, F, I), NO₂, C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O(C₁₋₄ acyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), S(C₁₋₄ acyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkenyl),

alkenyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ acyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH₂, NH(C₁₋₄ alkyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), NH(C₁₋₄ acyl), N(C₁₋₄ alkyl)₂, N(C₁₋₄ acyl)₂, OR⁷; R² and R^{2'} can be linked together to form a vinyl optionally substituted by one or two of N₃, CN, Cl, Br, F, I, NO₂;

R³ and R⁴ are independently H, halogen including F, Cl, Br, I, OH, OR', SH, SR', NH₂, NHR', NR'₂, lower alkyl of C_{1-C₆}, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkyl of C_{1-C₆}, lower alkenyl of C_{2-C₆}, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkenyl of C_{2-C₆}, lower alkynyl of C_{2-C₆}, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkynyl of C_{2-C₆}, lower alkoxy of C_{1-C₆}, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I), lower alkoxy of C_{1-C₆}, ~~lower hydroxyalkyl~~, CO₂H, CO₂R', CONH₂, CONHR', CONR'₂, CH=CHCO₂H, CH=CHCO₂R';

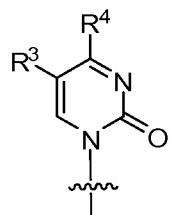
R' is an optionally substituted alkyl of C_{1-C₁₂} cycloalkyl, optionally substituted alkynyl of C_{2-C₆}, optionally substituted lower alkenyl of C_{2-C₆}, or optionally substituted acyl; ~~or, in the case of NHR' and COR', R' can be an amino acid residue;~~

R⁶ is an optionally substituted alkyl (including lower alkyl), cyano (CN), CH₃, OCH₃, OCH₂CH₃, hydroxy methyl (CH₂OH), fluoromethyl (CH₂F), azido (N₃), CHCN, CH₂N₃, CH₂NH₂, CH₂NHCH₃, CH₂N(CH₃)₂, alkyne (optionally substituted), or fluoro;

or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof.

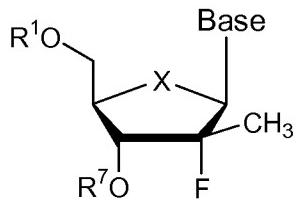
Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β-D) of claim 4 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof, wherein

the Base is represented by the following formula



and R¹ is H, R² is OH, R^{2'} is H, R³ is H, R⁴ is NH₂ or OH, and R⁶ is H.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): A (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D or β -L) or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof of the structure:



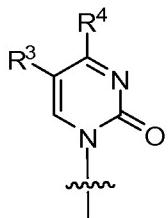
wherein the Base is a pyrimidine base;

X is O, S, CH₂, Se, NH, N-alkyl, CHW (*R*, *S*, or racemic), C(W)₂, wherein W is F, Cl, Br, or I; and,

R¹ and R⁷ are independently H, phosphate, including monophosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate, or a stabilized phosphate prodrug, H-phosphonate, including stabilized H-phosphonates, acyl, including optionally substituted phenyl and lower acyl, alkyl, including lower alkyl, O-substituted carboxyalkylamino or its peptide derivatives, sulfonate ester, including alkyl or arylalkyl sulfonyl, including methanesulfonyl and benzyl, wherein the phenyl group is optionally substituted, a lipid, including a phospholipid, an L or D-amino acid, a carbohydrate, a peptide, a cholesterol, or other pharmaceutically acceptable leaving group which when administered *in vivo* is capable of providing a compound wherein R¹ or R⁷ is independently H or phosphate; R¹ and R⁷ can also be linked with cyclic phosphate group.

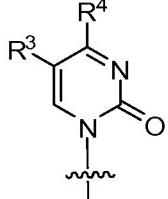
Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D or β -L) of claim 6 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof,

wherein the Base is represented by the following formula



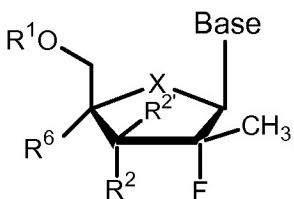
R³ and R⁴ are independently H, halogen including F, Cl, Br, I, OH, OR', SH, SR', NH₂, NHR', NR'₂, lower alkyl of C₁-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkyl of C₁-C₆, lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, lower alkynyl of C₂-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkynyl of C₂-C₆, lower alkoxy of C₁-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkoxy of C₁-C₆, ~~lower hydroxyalkyl, CO₂H, CO₂R', CONH₂, CONHR', CONR'₂, CH=CHCO₂H, CH=CHCO₂R'~~; and,
R' is an optionally substituted alkyl of C₁-C₁₂ cycloalkyl, optionally substituted alkynyl of C₂-C₆, optionally substituted lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, or optionally substituted acyl, ~~or, in the case of NHR' and COR', R' can be an amino acid residue.~~

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D) of claim 6 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof,
wherein the Base is represented by the following formula

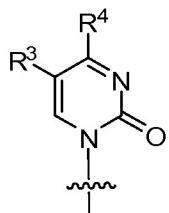


and wherein R¹ and R⁷ are H, R³ is H, and R⁴ is NH₂ or OH.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D or β -L) of the formula:



wherein the Base is



X is O, S, CH₂, Se, NH, N-alkyl, CHW (*R*, *S*, or racemic), C(W)₂, wherein W is F, Cl, Br, or I;

*R*¹ and *R*⁷ are independently H, phosphate, including monophosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate, or a stabilized phosphate prodrug, H-phosphonate, including stabilized H-phosphonates, acyl, including optionally substituted phenyl and lower acyl, alkyl, including lower alkyl, O-substituted carboxyalkylamino or its peptide derivatives, sulfonate ester, including alkyl or arylalkyl sulfonyl, including methanesulfonyl and benzyl, wherein the phenyl group is optionally substituted, a lipid, including a phospholipid, an L or D-amino acid (or racemic mixture), a carbohydrate, a peptide, a cholesterol, or other pharmaceutically acceptable leaving group which when administered *in vivo* is capable of providing a compound wherein *R*¹ is H or phosphate; *R*² is H or phosphate; *R*¹ and *R*² or *R*⁷ can also be linked with cyclic phosphate group;

*R*² and *R*^{2'} are independently H, C₁₋₄ alkyl, C₁₋₄ alkenyl, C₁₋₄ alkynyl, vinyl, N₃, CN, Cl, Br, F, I, NO₂, C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ acyl), O(C₁₋₄ acyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), S(C₁₋₄ acyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ acyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH₂, NH(C₁₋₄ alkyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkenyl),

NH(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), NH(C₁₋₄ acyl), N(C₁₋₄ alkyl)₂, N(C₁₋₁₈ acyl)₂, wherein alkyl, alkynyl, alkenyl and vinyl are optionally substituted by N₃, CN, one to three halogen (Cl, Br, F, I), NO₂, C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), C(O)O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O(C₁₋₄ acyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), S(C₁₋₄ acyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ acyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), SO₂(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ acyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkyl), O₃S(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH₂, NH(C₁₋₄ alkyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkenyl), NH(C₁₋₄ alkynyl), NH(C₁₋₄ acyl), N(C₁₋₄ alkyl)₂, N(C₁₋₄ acyl)₂, OR⁷; R² and R^{2'} can be linked together to form a vinyl optionally substituted by one or two of N₃, CN, Cl, Br, F, I, NO₂;

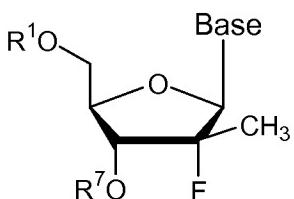
R³ and R⁴ are independently H, halogen including F, Cl, Br, I, OH, OR', SH, SR', NH₂, NHR', NR'₂, lower alkyl of C₁-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkyl of C₁-C₆, lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, lower alkynyl of C₂-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkynyl of C₂-C₆, lower alkoxy of C₁-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkoxy of C₁-C₆, CO₂H, CO₂R', CONH₂, CONHR', CONR'₂, CH=CHCO₂H, CH=CHCO₂R'; and,

R' is an optionally substituted alkyl of C₁-C₁₂, cycloalkyl, optionally substituted alkynyl of C₂-C₆, optionally substituted lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, or optionally substituted acyl; ~~or, in the case of NHR' and COR', R' can be an amino acid residue;~~

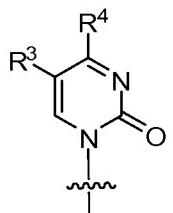
R⁶ is an optionally substituted alkyl (including lower alkyl), cyano (CN), CH₃, OCH₃, OCH₂CH₃, hydroxy methyl (CH₂OH), fluoromethyl (CH₂F), azido (N₃), CHCN, CH₂N₃, CH₂NH₂, CH₂NHCH₃, CH₂N(CH₃)₂, alkyne (optionally substituted), or fluoro;

or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D or β -L) of the formula



wherein the Base is

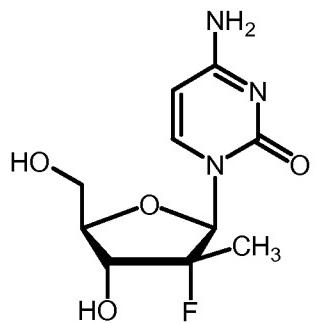


R¹ and R⁷ are independently H, phosphate, including monophosphate, diphosphate, triphosphate, or a stabilized phosphate prodrug, H-phosphonate, including stabilized H-phosphonates, acyl, including optionally substituted phenyl and lower acyl, alkyl, including lower alkyl, O-substituted carboxyalkylamino or its peptide derivatives, sulfonate ester, including alkyl or arylalkyl sulfonyl, including methanesulfonyl and benzyl, wherein the phenyl group is optionally substituted, a lipid, including a phospholipid, an L or D-amino acid (or racemic mixture), a carbohydrate, a peptide, a cholesterol, or other pharmaceutically acceptable leaving group which when administered *in vivo* is capable of providing a compound wherein R¹ is H or phosphate; R² is H or phosphate; R¹ and R² or R⁷ can also be linked with cyclic phosphate group;

R³ and R⁴ are independently H, halogen including F, Cl, Br, I, OH, OR', SH, SR', NH₂, NHR', NR'₂, lower alkyl of C₁-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkyl of C₁-C₆, lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, lower alkynyl of C₂-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkynyl of C₂-C₆, lower alkoxy of C₁-C₆, halogenated (F, Cl, Br, I) lower alkoxy of C₁-C₆, lower hydroxyalkyl, CO₂H, CO₂R', CONH₂, CONHR', CONR'₂, CH=CHCO₂H, CH=CHCO₂R';

R' is an optionally substituted alkyl of C₁-C₁₂ cycloalkyl, optionally substituted alkynyl of C₂-C₆, optionally substituted lower alkenyl of C₂-C₆, or optionally substituted acyl; ~~or, in the case of NHR' and COR', R' can be an amino acid residue;~~
or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof.

Claim 11 (Original): A (2'R)-2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro-2'-C-methyl nucleoside (β -D) or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof of the formula:



Claims 12-15 (Canceled).

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 2 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 3 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 19 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 4 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 20 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 5 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 6 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 22 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 7 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 23 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 8 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 24 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 9 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 25 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 10 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 26 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the nucleoside of claim 11 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claims 27-30 (Canceled).

Claim 31 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 32 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 2 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 33 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 3 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 34 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 4 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 35 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 5 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 36 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 6 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 37 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 7 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 38 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 8 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 39 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of

claim 9 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 40 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 10 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 41 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of hepatitis C infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 11 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claims 42-45 (Canceled).

Claim 46 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 47 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 2 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 48 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of

claim 3 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 49 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 4 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 50 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 5 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 51 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 6 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 52 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 7 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 53 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 8 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 54 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 9 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 55 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 10 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 56 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a rhinovirus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 11 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claims 57-60 (Canceled).

Claim 61 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 62 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 2 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 63 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 3 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 64 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 4 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 65 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 5 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 66 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 6 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 67 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 7 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 68 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 8 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 69 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 9 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 70 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 10 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 71 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a yellow fever virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 11 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claims 72-75 (Canceled).

Claim 76 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 77 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 2 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 78 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 3 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 79 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 4 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 80 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 5 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 81 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 6 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 82 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 7 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 83 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of

claim 8 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 84 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 9 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 85 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 10 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 86 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a West Nile virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 11 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claims 87-90 (Canceled).

Claim 91 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 1 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 92 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of

claim 2 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 93 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 3 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 94 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 4 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 95 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 5 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 96 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 6 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 97 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 7 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 98 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 8 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 99 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 9 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 100 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 10 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 101 (Withdrawn): A method for the treatment or prophylaxis of a Dengue virus infection comprising administering to a host an antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside of claim 11 or its pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug optionally in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claims 102-105 (Canceled).

Claim 106 (Withdrawn): The method of 31, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor

including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claim 107 (Withdrawn): The method of 41, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claims 108-109 (Canceled).

Claim 110 (Withdrawn): The method of 46, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated

interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claim 111 (Withdrawn): The method of 56, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claims 112-113 (Canceled).

Claim 114 (Withdrawn): The method of 61, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a

pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claim 115 (Withdrawn): The method of 71, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claims 116-117 (Canceled).

Claim 118 (Withdrawn): The method of 76, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claim 119 (Withdrawn): The method of 86, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claims 120-121 (Canceled).

Claim 122 (Withdrawn): The method of 91, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

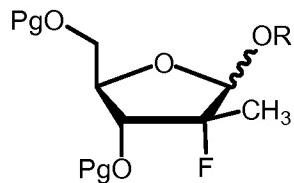
Claim 123 (Withdrawn): The method of 101, wherein the antivirally effective amount of the nucleoside is administered in combination or alternation with at least one treatment selected from the group consisting of: interferon, including interferon alpha 2a, interferon alpha 2b, a pegylated interferon, interferon beta, interferon gamma, interferon tau and interferon omega; an interleukin, including interleukin 10 and interleukin 12; ribavirin; interferon alpha or pegylated interferon alpha in combination with ribavirin or levovirin; levovirin; a protease inhibitor including an NS3 inhibitor, a NS3-4A inhibitor; a helicase inhibitor; a polymerase inhibitor including HCV RNA polymerase and NS5B polymerase inhibitor; gliotoxin; an IRES inhibitor; and antisense oligonucleotide; a thiazolidine derivative; a benzanilide, a ribozyme; another nucleoside, nucleoside prodrug or nucleoside derivative; a 1-amino-alkylcyclohexane; an antioxidant including vitamin E; squalene; amantadine; a bile acid; N-(phosphonoacetyl)-L-aspartic acid; a benzenedicarboxamide; polyadenylic acid; a benzimidazoles; thymosin; a beta

tubulin inhibitor; a prophylactic vaccine; an immune modulator, an IMPDH inhibitor; silybin-phosphatidylcholine phytosome; and mycophenolate.

Claims 124-125 (Canceled).

Claim 126 (Withdrawn): A method of synthesizing the nucleoside of claim 11, which comprises

glycosylating the pyrimidine with a compound having the following structure:

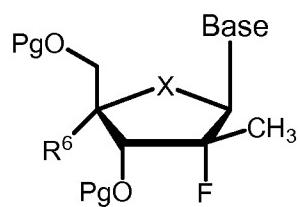


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wherein R is lower alkyl, acyl, benzoyl, or mesyl; and Pg is any acceptable protecting group consisting of but not limited to C(O)-alkyl, C(O)Ph, C(O)aryl, CH₃, CH₂-alkyl, CH₂-alkenyl, CH₂Ph, CH₂-aryl, CH₂O-alkyl, CH₂O-aryl, SO₂-alkyl, SO₂-aryl, *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl, *tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl, or both Pg's may come together to form a 1,3-(1,1,3,3-tetraisopropylsiloxylidene).

Claim 127 (Withdrawn): A method of synthesizing the nucleoside of claim 1, which comprises

selectively deprotecting the 3'-OPg or the 5'-OPg of a compound having the following structure:



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wherein, Pg is independently any pharmaceutically acceptable protecting group selected from the group consisting of C(O)-alkyl , C(O)Ph , C(O)aryl , CH_3 , $\text{CH}_2\text{-alkyl}$, $\text{CH}_2\text{-alkenyl}$, CH_2Ph , $\text{CH}_2\text{-aryl}$, $\text{CH}_2\text{O-alkyl}$, $\text{CH}_2\text{O-aryl}$, $\text{SO}_2\text{-alkyl}$, $\text{SO}_2\text{-aryl}$, *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl, *tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl, or both Pg's may come together to form a 1,3-(1,1,3,3-tetraisopropylidene)siloxane).

Claims 128-129 (Canceled).